

Michigan Avenue Corridor Improvement Authority

Informational Board Meeting

Friday, February 21st, 2020 - 8:30 AM

Lansing Economic Area Partnership (LEAP) 1000 S Washington Ave #201, Lansing, MI 48910

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and Call to Order
- 2. Approval of January MACIA Meeting Minutes (Action)
- 3. 2020 Goals and Objectives for MACIA
- 4. City of Lansing Letter
- 5. Commercial Corridor Enforcement Specialist Discussion
- 6. Staff Person Discussion
- 7. Updates from Partners
- 8. Other Business
- 9. Public Comment
- 10. Adjournment



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Annual Board of Director's Meeting Minutes Friday, January 24, 2020 8:30 a.m.

Allen Neighborhood Center | 1611 E Kalamazoo St Lansing MI 48912

Members Present: Jonathan Lum, Joan Nelson, Laurie Baumer, Yvette

Collins, Joseph Ruth, Scott Gillespie

Mayoral Designee: Dr. Andrea McSwain

Members Absent: Elaine Barr

Facilitator Present: Hannah Bryant (LEAP), Karl Dorshimer (LEAP)

Guests: Bill Rieske (City of Lansing)

Andrew Fedewa (City of Lansing)
Andrew Kilpatrick (City of Lansing)

Recorded by: Yvette Collins

Welcome and Call to Order

Lum welcomed everyone and called the MACIA Board of Directors meeting to order at 8:32 a.m. The meeting initiated with the introduction of the board members and guests. Chair Lum moved the MACIA elections to item #3 after the approval of minutes.

Approval of Minutes (Action)

MOTION: Yvette moved to approve the MACIA Meeting Minutes from the Friday,

November 22, 2019 meeting, as presented. Motion seconded by Nelson.

YEAS: Unanimous. Motion carried.

MACIA Board of Directors Elections

The election of Officers was held by paper ballot. The nominees were Jonathan Lum for Chair, Dr Andrea McSwain for Vice Chair, Laurie Baumer for Treasurer and Yvette Collins for Secretary. Bryant reviewed the ballots cast and the results were:

For the position of Chair there was 7 votes for Jonathan Lum.

For the position of Vice-Chair there was 7 votes for Andrea McSwain. For the position of Treasurer there was 7 votes for Laurie Baumer. For the position of Secretary there was 7 votes for Yvette Collins.

Report from the City

Tabled till the end of meeting.

City of Lansing Plans & MACIA goals/priorities

Andy Kilpatrick from the City of Lansing gave a brief update on the projected new road surface project on Michigan Avenue. The proposed project would not start till 2023 and is proposed to run from Pennsylvania to Detroit Street. This plan will have public engagement prior to the start of construction. The Authority would like to be involved to help with the preliminary discussion with stakeholders. Gillespie indicated he is aware of stakeholders who would want to be involved. Lum offered that LEAP might be the best way to engage stakeholders. Discussion ensued.

Form Based Code Updates

Bill Rieske and Andy Fedewa from the City gave an update regarding the Form Based Code (FBC). Rieske announced there is a February 2, 2020 public hearing before the Planning Board. If approved, it will go to the City Council. Discussion ensued.

Staff Person Updates

Baumer gave an update on the job description for the position through the Foundation. She shared some concerns with the timing and if there was enough work for the staff person currently. Baumer asked for help in understanding more details on this position's duties. Discussion took place that the MACIA staff person, could start as a community organizer, where they can get to know and understand the people, businesses, residents, stakeholders, etc. on the avenue. Another idea offered was that the person could provide FAQ sheets for business owner to educate business owners on what the CIA is. Discussion ensued regarding what kind of work can take place currently even without physical projects.

Report from the City

Bryant gave a brief summary of the LCC opt out letter that was received. Further discussion will take place at the next meeting.

Update from Partners

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Bryant suggested that Zachary Driver from the city of Lansing, should be invited to the next meeting to talk about the corridor.

Public Comment

None

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Lum declared the MACIA meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

Jonathan Lum, Chair Michigan Avenue Corridor Improvement Authority